

STATE OF IOWA  
DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE  
UTILITIES BOARD

IN RE:  GLOBAL CROSSING LTD. AND FRONTIER CORPORATION	DOCKET NO. SPU-99-24
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**ORDER SUSPENDING PROCEDURAL SCHEDULE**

(Issued August 13, 1999)

On May 7, 1999, Global Crossing Ltd. (Global Crossing) and Frontier Corporation (Frontier) (collectively, Applicants) filed a "Proposal For Reorganization" pursuant to IOWA CODE § 476.77 (1999) (the Application). The Applicants request Board approval to transfer control of Frontier's Iowa operating subsidiaries to Global Crossing. The Board docketed the Application as Docket No. SPU-99-16. The Application was subsequently dismissed and re-docketed as Docket No. SPU-99-24 and a new procedural schedule was established.

On August 11, 1999, the Applicants and the Consumer Advocate Division of the Department of Justice (Consumer Advocate) filed a settlement agreement and a joint motion for approval of the settlement and to hold the procedural schedule in abeyance. Absent an order suspending the existing schedule, the Applicants' initial prepared direct testimony would be due on August 13, 1999.

The Board finds it appropriate to suspend the procedural schedule while the Board considers the settlement agreement. The parties are advised, however, that

if the Board rejects the settlement agreement, it may be necessary to extend the 90-day review period specified in IOWA CODE § 476.77(2) to permit sufficient time for a review of the merits of the proposed reorganization.

**IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:**

The procedural schedule in this docket is suspended pending further order of the Board.

**UTILITIES BOARD**

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/s/ Allan T. Thoms

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/s/ Susan J. Frye

ATTEST:

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/s/ Raymond K. Vawter, Jr  
Executive Secretary

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/s/ Diane Munns

Dated at Des Moines, Iowa, this 13th day of August, 1999.